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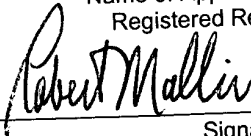
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In re Application of:

Robert G. Everts and Katsumi Kurihara

Serial No.: New Application

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For: OPERATOR CARRIED POWER
TOOL HAVING A FOUR-CYCLE
ENGINE AND AN ENGINE
LUBRICATION METHOD

Examiner: To Be Assigned

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

The references now cited are the following:

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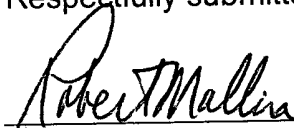
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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

This application is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 09/784,361, filed February 15, 2001, U.S. Patent No. 6,622,688, to be issued September 23, 2003, and is relied upon for an earlier filing dated under 35 U.S.C. § 120. In accordance with Rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) only copies of documents not previously cited and submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the prior application U.S. Serial No. 09/784,361, filed February 15, 2001, U.S. Patent No. 6,622,688, to be issued September 23, 2003, are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Copies will be supplied to the Examiner of any of the documents cited in U.S. Patent No. 6,622,688 upon request.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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